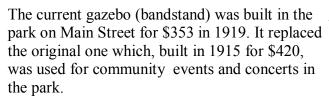
# Talk of the Town

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#### The Gazebo





The Clarkdale Parks and Recreation Commission and the Heritage Conservancy Board will be holding a joint meeting on May 28th at 5:15 p.m. to discuss the Town's gazebo. Members of the public are welcome to attend and give their input. These boards will make a recommendation to the Town Council as to how to proceed with a gazebo project. The gazebo has been deteriorating and is now tilted to one side. Parts of the gazebo have been replaced and repaired over the years. It is now time to address the structure as a whole and determine if it can be saved or if replacement is the best alternative.

The Clarkdale Foundation, a non-profit organization formed by Clarkdale citizens, has raised about \$7,000 for the Gazebo. Though a decision regarding the gazebo has not yet been made by the Town Council, it is certain that additional funding will be required. Persons wishing to donate funds for the gazebo should make their contribution to:

The Clarkdale Foundation, Post Office Box 345, Clarkdale, AZ 86324 OR drop off your contributions at Town Hall in an envelope labeled *'Clarkdale Foundation - Gazebo Fund'*.

## Election Day, May 20th

The Town of Clarkdale will be holding a special election on May 20th to ask the voters if they are for or against the granting of a franchise to Citizens Utilities Company. The current franchise agreement expires in 2004.



Copies of the proposed franchise agreement are available at Town Hall or online at <a href="www.clarkdale.az.us/elections1.html">www.clarkdale.az.us/elections1.html</a>. This election will be mail ballot only. If you do not receive your ballot, or spoil your ballot, you may vote a ballot at Town Hall.

Come join the fun at the Town of Clarkdale's Annual

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## 4th of July Celebration!

**Boys and Girls!** Decorate your bike, your wagon and yourself and enter the Children's parade!! (No commercial entries please) Sign-up at the Clarkdale-Jerome School at 9:15 a.m. on the 4th.



Gather at the bandstand in the park after the parade to see if you won a prize!



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## Schedule of Events



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7:00 a.m. Pancake breakfast, held by the

Clarkdale Police & Fire Depts.

7:30 a.m. Presentation of Colors by the

**Veterans of Foreign Wars** 

10:00 a.m. Parade begins!

10:30 a.m. Ice cream social, held by the

**Clarkdale Library Advisory** Board; children's games and activities; fire truck rides; **Cottonwood Community Band** 

begins playing

## 2003 Pool Season

Beginning May 26th the pool hours will be:

Open Swim: 12:00 to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Saturday Family Swim: 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday - Friday Lap Swim: 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., Monday-Friday \*Hours subject to change based on attendance\*

Pool fees are \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children. Pool passes are available at Town Hall. Prices are:

Child Pass-20 visits: \$17 Child Pass-40 visits: \$30 Adult Pass-20 visits: \$30 Adult Pass-40 visits: \$50

Family Season Pass: \$75

Be Cool... come to the Pool!

Swim lessons will be offered for children ages 6 - 16 with a special class for water safety and competitive strokes for more experienced swimmers. Swim lesson registration will be at the pool from June 2nd through June 6th. Two separate sessions will be offered: June 9 - 20 and July 7 - 18.

We are looking forward to a great summer! If you have any questions, please call the Pool Manager at 634-8700.

Take a BIG PLUNGF at the 2003

CLARKDALE POOL OPENING

## **Summer Youth Program**

This summer the Town will partner with Buena Vista Children's Services to offer

the summer program: The Discovery Connection. This non-profit organization obtained grant funding to hold quality after-school and summer programs at

Verde Valley schools. The Clarkdale site is at the Clarkdale-Jerome School.

FREE SWIM! **GREAT FOOD!!** FUN GAMES!!

Sign up for summer swim programs.

SATURDAY, MAY 24

10 AM TO 4 PM

Sponsored by: The Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce & the Town of Clarkdale

Summer hours for the program are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 9th to August 1st. Two four-week sessions. Full-day and half-day enrollment.



Activities are expected to include art, computers, sports, academic enrichment, etc. The cost of the program is based on what families are able to pay. For more information, please contact Deborah Johnson, site director, at 634-2239 or email discovery@cjsd.k12.az.us.





## Water Company Acquisition Project Newsletter #2

## Project Overview

The City of Cottonwood and Town of Clarkdale are partnering a project whose purpose is to acquire private water companies serving our two communities and contiguous unincorporated county areas. We see many benefits to a single publicly owned system over four privately owned ones. This information sheet is being circulated to all citizens of the two communities in an effort to inform them of this large and complex project.

Approximately 2½ years ago, Cottonwood and Clarkdale began an engineering and financial analysis of Clemenceau, Cordes Lakes and Cottonwood Water Works water companies. These studies were recently completed and the two communities have met with the private suppliers during this period to discuss the possibility of a purchase. Additionally, both communities have been investigating a number of financing options, discussing rate structures and how best to blend the three systems together for efficient operation.

While many complex issues must be resolved, both communities are strongly supportive of such a purchase. In the coming months we will be presenting much additional information to the public regarding the status, cost and advantages of operating a public water system. This information will be available through public forums, news releases and our municipal websites.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this project, please contact Robert Hardy at the City of Cottonwood (634-5526) or Gayle Mabery at the Town of Clarkdale (634-9591). Our email addresses are rhardy@ci.cottonwood.az.us and gaylem@clarkdale.az.us.

## Monthly Water Rates

Our previous newsletter presented a table showing water rates in northern Arizona. The table detailed what citizens are paying on a monthly basis from both private and public suppliers. While the numbers looked rather simple, there are many factors that comprise the monthly fee.

In actuality a water bill is comprised of several components. The list below details the individual items that can comprise a monthly water bill. Any combination of these components may be included in a community's billing program.

Base Fee – the administrative cost to print, mail and collect bills as well as customer service, meter reading and administrative costs incurred operating the system.

Water Resource Fee – used to acquire additional water rights, support adjudication efforts and develop additional water resources.

Operation & Maintenance – the cost to operate, repair and maintain the water system.

Debt Service - the funds required to pay off bonds, loans and debts.

Depreciation - a fund to replace equipment and facilities over time as they end their useful life.

Capital Expense – a fund for major improvement projects such as storage facilities, fire hydrant installations, main line replacements, well replacements and main line extensions.

Conservation - a fee charged for water conservation programs.

Water Value - the cost of leasing a water right and/or the true cost of the water source that must be purchased through a third party.

### Tiered Water Rates

Long ago, many water companies developed their water rates on the same basis many companies do for volume sales; that is, the more items you purchase, the lower the price of each unit. However, in more recent times water companies have acknowledged that water is in finite supply and must be conserved and properly managed. Toward that end, water suppliers have been revising their fees to provide a tiered structure that charges higher fees for higher usage.

An average family will generally use less than 8,000 gallons of water each month. Many providers are maintaining a low per gallon cost of water for those users but charging higher rates as the usage increases. Prescott Valley provides a typical example for tiered rate structures for its customers. The Town charges residents \$2.03 for every 1,000 gallons used up to 8,000 gallons. For every 1,000 gallons of water delivered above the 8,000 gallons, the cost increase to \$2.33 and above 20,000 gallons, the charge is \$2.83.

To encourage more conservation Flagstaff takes a stricter approach to the tiered rate structure creating a cost break at just 5,000 gallons. A residential user pays \$2.83 for the first 5,000 gallons used each month, but the fee increase to \$3.32 per 1,000 gallons above that usage. If the total monthly usage exceeds 15,000 gallons per month, the water use fee rises to \$4.71 for each 1,000 gallons.

Both the City of Cottonwood and the Town of Clarkdale intend to use a form of the tiered water rate structure when the acquisition project is completed. Both communities are also committed to an aggressive water conservation and water resource management program that will assure an adequate water supply for present and future growth needs. The Verde Valley is expected have a population of approximately 160,000 by the year 2050. This growth requires the development of an additional 12,000 – 15,000 acre-feet of water supplies. Clearly, conservation (including tiered rate structures) and water management policy will play enormous roles in acquiring this supply.

## Our Commitment to Assuring a Viable Water Supply

For some time both our communities have been heavily involved in proactive efforts to protect the Verde Valley's water supplies. We continue to be major players in regional water groups such as the Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association, Yavapai Water Advisory Committee and have retained a legal staff to represent us in the adjudication of water rights associated with the Verde River.

Our representation in these groups and these long term efforts can not be understated. It is imperative we maintain a high profile in any water rights legislation or reallocation of rights that will assist us in providing a sustainable water supply for the residents of our communities.



Verde Valley Water – We Can't Spare A Drop

## A Message From Your Police Department



Dear Clarkdale Residents.

I'd like to reintroduce myself to you. After working as a Clarkdale Police Officer for sixteen years, I am now the Chief of Police. In order to serve the needs of our growing community, I have introduced a program I hope will keep information flowing between community members and your Police Department.

Our Officers have adopted different neighborhoods as their own, spending a little extra time during their workweek to get to know its residents and help identify special problems and needs unique to that particular neighborhood.

Listed below are the Officers and their adopted neighborhoods:

## Officer Troy Smith.

Upper Town area, Panorama to Lampliter area.

#### Officer Anthony Lozano.

Palisades, Mingus View Estates, Hollow Reed Road and areas west of Broadway.

#### Officer Tom Nester

Patio Park, Lower Town, Bent River and areas east of Broadway.

#### Officer David Fowler

Centerville and Mingus Shadows.

#### Officer Robert Church

Foothills Terrace, the foothills area of Mingus between Highway 89A and Abbey Road North.

#### Chief Patrick Haynie

Blackhills Estates and Haskell Springs area.

As always, all Officers will continue serving the whole community. Please get to know them. Reach them through our dispatchers at 634-2921.

Chief Patrick C. Haynie

## **EMERGENCY VEHICLES**

We would like to remind you, when you hear our siren and see our lights, to slow down and pull over to the right side of the road until we pass. This will allow the fire truck to arrive at its destination without any delays.

#### FIRST AID and CPR

CPR saves lives. We teach First Aid and CPR at the Fire Station on a monthly basis. Class size is limited, so please call for dates and times. The CPR card carries a certification date of two years and the First Aid for three. If you currently carry a CPR/First Aid card, please check your expiration date.

#### **FIRE STATION**



We would like to invite members of the community (regardless of age) to feel free to stop by the Fire Station

and look around. We would enjoy the opportunity to show you our trucks and equipment and answer any questions that you might have.

#### **Attention Business Owners!**

By: Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk

First, thank you for locating your business in the Town of Clarkdale! If you are changing your business location, type of business, telephone number, owner information, etc. please contact Town Hall to update your Business License.

This is important for several reasons. First, if you move your business location and do not let us know, it may cause problems locating you in an emergency. Also, the Fire Department, for safety reasons, needs to know what types of businesses are located in buildings and what chemicals associated with the business type, if any, may be stored on site.

Lastly, a Certificate of Occupancy is required for new uses of a building. If a business does not get this ahead of time, utility connections may be delayed and added costs for getting permits could occur for new and existing buildings.

Please avoid problems and talk to us prior to moving or making changes with your business so we can help you make a smooth transition.

#### **Facilities Master Plan**

By: Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk

The Town of Clarkdale embarked on a facilities master plan in October, 2002 when architect Reynold Radoccia of Architecture Works, Inc. was hired to identify the current and future needs of the Town government and develop a way to accommodate these needs in the most cost-effective manner, including using existing buildings to their fullest potential.

From October through January, Mr. Radoccia developed "as built" plans of Town-owned buildings, interviewed department staff and received input from the public to develop a proposed plan.

The Town Council held several meetings with Town staff and board and commission members. At their March 18, 2003 meeting, the Council approved the following portions and changes to the plan which should be designed and completed within one year:

- Use of the former DMV building by the Heritage Conservancy Board for a museum and archive until December 31, 2005 (with conditions) and to make minor improvements (ADA restroom and repairs). Estimated cost: \$19,500;
- The relocation of the Planning and Public Works Departments to the Library Basement after remodeling. Estimated cost: \$126,000;
- Improvements to the Clark Memorial Clubhouse, including ADA restrooms, heating/cooling and lighting upgrades. Estimated cost: \$98,000;
- Improvements to the current Police Department including, ADA upgrades to a restroom, evidence storage and an expansion of the patrol room. Estimated cost: \$25,000.

Improvements will be funded by a loan obtained from the Greater Arizona Development Authority. Copies of the Facilities Master Plan drawings are posted at the Planning Department, in the Clark Memorial Library and at <a href="www.clarkdale.az.us/projects1.html">www.clarkdale.az.us/projects1.html</a>. Public input is still being received on the plan via email (townhall@clarkdale.az.us) or in writing to Town Hall, 890 Main Street, Post Office Box 308, Clarkdale, AZ 86324.

# **Board and Commission Appointments in June**

The Town Council will make appointments for two year terms to the various Town Boards and Commissions in June. Meetings are usually held once a month. If you are interested in serving on any of these boards, please call Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk at 634-9591 for more information. Applications are available at Town Hall and online at <a href="https://www.clarkdale.az.us/forms.html">www.clarkdale.az.us/forms.html</a>. Completed applications are due May 20th. All board members must be residents of the Town.

Parks and Recreation Commission - advises the Council on aspects of park and trail development and recreation programs. Members participate in 4th of July, Halloween and Christmas events, as well as Concerts in the Park.

**Planning Commission -** advises the Town Council on matters regarding the General Plan, development standards, proposals including subdivisions and conditional use permits, and hold public hearings.

Heritage Conservancy Board - advises the Town Council on matters relating to historic preservation and the historic buildings owned by the Town. In addition, the Board collects and documents artifacts of historic significance and records the history of the area and its residents.

**Board of Adjustment**—a quasi-judicial body that hears and decides appeals in which it is alleged that there is an error in an order, requirement or decision made by a Town official based on the enforcement of the Zoning Code or portions of the Town Code. The Board hears and decides variance requests and interprets the boundaries of the zoning districts.

**Library Advisory Board -** advises the Council & staff regarding the operations of the Clark Memorial Library. Members conduct two fundraisers each year.

**Design Review Board -** reviews the exterior design of buildings, proposed alterations to buildings, excluding single family residences.

## **Traffic Signals on Highway 89A**

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), in conjunction with Kirkham Michael and Associates (KM), has proposed a Signalized Access Management Plan for SR 89A from Cement Plant Road to Black Hills Drive.

Traffic signals increase safety and reduce delays on streets intersecting 89A, but tend to reduce the capacity of the major street. Traffic signals should only be located where traffic volumes warrant them and should be spaced such that the safety and efficiency of SR 89A is not unduly compromised. KM has identified four major intersections that should be considered in the future:

- SR 89A and Historic 89A/Cement Plant Road;
- ❖ SR 89A and Lisa Street/Lincoln Drive;
- ❖ SR 89A and Scenic Drive/Yuma Street; and
- SR 89A and a future Black Hills Drive alignment (Approximately 800' west of the existing alignment).

For the plan to be implemented and managed, it must be adopted by ADOT, the City of Cottonwood, and the Town of Clarkdale. The Clarkdale Council adopted it on April 8, 2003.

Questions or comments regarding the signalized access management plan should be addressed to Rod Penniman, with Kirkham Michael at 602-944-6564 or e-mail rpenniman@kmphx.com.

## "What image best represents the Town of Clarkdale?"

We want your input. What image do we want to portray to our visiting guests?
You may enter using artwork, a song or an essay (150 words or less). Children are invited to participate.

#### **Prizes**

Deadline is May 20, 2003 Grand Prize-Adult

Tickets for 2 to a Diamondback game including round trip bus to the game!

Grand Prize-Child (through age 16)
Dinner for 4 at Pizzeria Parlor
plus \$20 in game tokens!

Submit entries to: Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 161 Clarkdale, AZ 86324

There is no guarantee that winning entries will be used in the final image.

#### **Attention Builders**

The Building Department has revised its building permit fees, bringing them up to date, to be equal to the surrounding jurisdictions in the State of Arizona. As of mid March, 2003, fees are based on Table 1-A 1997 UBC; April 2002 Building Standards Valuation Data, using the Arizona modifier. Please contact the Building Department at 634-9591 with any questions.

#### BARK BEETLES

The Yavapai County Cooperative Extension web site has a Forest Health page that focuses on bark beetles. Find it at <a href="http://ag.arizona.edu/yavapai">http://ag.arizona.edu/yavapai</a>. Or call 639-8176 for the Cottonwood office.

## What can be done to manage bark beetles?

Infested trees should be felled and taken off site. The dead and down material (slash) is a refuge for bark beetles, allowing them to breed, and possibly colonize nearby healthy trees. The City of Prescott and Yavapai County also have a tree removal program to assist homeowners within the city limits which is very reasonably priced.

Uncolonized trees can be protected using three methods: 1) deep infrequent irrigation; 2) application of preventative insecticides; and 3) thinning of the stand.

## It's Safe Sitter time!!

offered in the Verde Valley this summer. This class is available to boys and girls, ages 11-13. It is a two day course **packed** with information and fun! The cost is \$20.00. Please contact the Clarkdale Fire Dept for more information at 639-4591.

The Safe Sitter program is again being

June 3rd/4th and 17th/18th in Cottonwood
July 8th/9th in Sedona
July 23rd/24th in Cottonwood.
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Classes fill up fast, so be sure to reserve your spot.



# The Building Department Has A New Face!

Clarkdale recently entered into a contract with the consulting firm of Willdan and Associate to provide building plan reviews and field inspections for construction projects in the Town. *Mr. Jim Wolf*, a certified, licensed and bonded Plans Examiner and Field Inspector has been with Willdan for approximately two years.

## First Step... A Building Permit

A valid building permit is required for all new construction and, in most cases, the remodeling of, or modification to, existing structures within the Town. Building permits are issued after a careful review of detailed construction plans and are intended to insure that all construction projects conform to current adopted codes, ordinances and industry standards.

A permit request form, the review fee and construction plans are submitted through the Building and Planning Department for review by the Fire, Public Works and Engineering Departments. A typical review takes 5 work days and, unless there are substantial changes required, most projects can be permitted after any required corrections are resubmitted

#### **Field Inspections**

Requests for field inspections should be made 24 hours in advance of the time desired. This can be accomplished by phoning 634-9591 and asking for Linda Noland in the Building Department.

Jim conducts inspections on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. If a follow up or "re-inspection" is needed, Jim will make every effort to conduct that re-inspection on the same day if possible.

The building permit and inspection process is an important part of the Town's service to its residents. If you have any question about this process or have general construction questions, please contact Lyle S. Richardson, Planning Director at 634-9591.

#### Thank You Clarkdale Volunteers!

The Town of Clarkdale has over 90 volunteers that donate their time and talents. These volunteers do everything from picking-up trash on the sides of our roads, to working in the library to being emergency personnel. The Town of Clarkdale honored its volunteers during Volunteer Appreciation Week by holding an appreciation picnic on May 2, 2003.

Are you interested in volunteering? We have openings for new volunteers! Please contact Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk, 634-9591 for more information.

## Thank You!

The Town of Clarkdale would like to thank the following persons and businesses for helping to make the Volunteer Appreciation Picnic a success:

Verde Valley Newspapers, Inc.

Su Casa

Bashas'

Realty World-Selna and Associates

Doug Downer, CASTCO

Verde Canyon Railroad

Books Are Fun

General Supply

Girl Scout Cadette Troop 919

David Woof, Earth and Fire Studios

Clarkdale Fire Department

## Yavapai College Breaks Ground on New Academic Resource Center

On April 8, Yavapai College held its Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new Academic Resource Center to be completed in the Fall of 2004.

For construction updates, call the construction information line at: 649-4263 or Sue Sammarco, Yavapai College Assistant Director of Marketing at 634-6503.

Community Information & Referral 24-Hour Bilingual HELP line: 1-800-352-3792 www.cirs.org

### **Centerville Park**

Centerville Park, the new
Clarkdale town park, officially opened on April 12<sup>th</sup>.
Funding for the park came from a Community
Development Block Grant and an Arizona State Park
Grant. This day-use park includes a regulation size
basketball court, large play area, walking trail,
covered ramadas and barbecue grills and is available
for use by all Town residents.

The grand opening ceremonies on April 12th were coordinated by members of the Centerville Action Zone Committee. This neighborhood group was instrumental in the grant application process and has been actively involved in the design of the park.

Although the park is available for use, some work remains to be done. Plans are to complete the landscaping of the park within the next two months. The Centerville Action Zone Committee has organized a 'Sponsor a Tree' program. Donations are being requested in the amount of \$75 for a 15 gallon tree and \$35 dollar for a 5 gallon tree. Any monies collected through the 'Sponsor a Tree' program will allow for the remaining grant funds to be spent on other amenities.

For additional information regarding the 'Sponsor a Tree' or the Centerville Park contact Town Hall at 634-9591.

## **Centerville History**

Excerpts from an article by Audrey McCarty in Cottonwood, Clarkdale and Cornville History, published by the Cottonwood Chapter of AARP in 1985.

"At one time there was only a shooting range and gun club there.

In 1920, 40 acres of the Brown Ranch were approved for subdivision into 200 lots. The Brown's took one lot for themselves, ... The lots were soon sold to people anxious to own their own homes. They were mostly Hispanic and most of the men worked for the Clarkdale Smelter. Nearly everyone walked to wherever he had to go, as not many owned

# Site Plan Review For New Commercial and Industrial Projects

The Town is currently processing a change to the Town's Zoning Code to include a new review procedure for commercial and industrial construction within the Town's boundary. This new process, Site Plan Review ("SPR"), is intended to protect the public's health and safety and to promote the general welfare of the community by assuring that these construction projects are designed and developed in a manner which assures that they will be compatible with adjoining land uses and "harmoniously fit" into the Town of Clarkdale. In addition, SPR is intended to assure the development community that the Town of Clarkdale welcomes their projects and to give guidance on code related issues in a comprehensive manner.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recently completed its review of the proposed Site Plan Review process and voted unanimously to forward its recommendation for approval to the Town Council. If adopted, the Site Plan Review process will be incorporated with the Town's current Design Review process in a new section of the Town's Zoning Code.

For more information about the proposed Site Plan Review procedures, or to obtain the full text of the proposal, please contact either Steve Brown, Planner II or Lyle Richardson, Planning Director at Town Hall or by phone at (928) 634-9591 Ext. 35.



cars, which was just as well as there were no streets to speak of.

People remember Centerville as a close-knit, peaceful community. Entertainment was simple: weddings, baptisms, birthdays, Cinco de Mayo, 4th of July, 16th of September, picnics and swimming in the Verde River, often were celebrated with singing and dancing.

On the 4th of July, 1984, residents changed the names of the streets in Centerville to honor those who pioneered the community. "



## Clarkdale Talking with Verde Valley Fire District for Interim Fire Department Administration.

Clarkdale, AZ — April 22, 2003 — Fire Chief Berry Van Hook has tendered his resignation in Clarkdale to accept a position as the Fire Chief in Somerton, Arizona. Berry has been the Chief in Clarkdale since 1997 and was the Town's first full-time Fire Department employee. According to Town Manager, Gayle Mabery, "Chief Van Hook has lifted the professionalism of our department tremendously in his six years as Chief, and has also approached the challenges he faced in managing our department with creativity and enthusiasm. It goes without saying that he will be greatly missed." Chief Van Hook's last official day with the department will be May 1<sup>st</sup>, however, he will aid in the transition of administration of the department through mid-May.

Though challenging, Chief Van Hook's departure provides the opportunity for Clarkdale to take a more timely and in depth look at our vision for providing fire and EMS services in the future. Clarkdale and other Verde Valley communities participated in an extensive Fire Department Consolidation study from 1995-1998. The committee, which had representatives from every community and fire/EMS agency in the upper Verde Valley, met for several years and thoroughly analyzed the potential for consolidation of Fire/EMS services in the region. At the time, it was determined that while functionally and economically consolidation would work extremely well, politically, there was not the support to proceed with a full consolidation. Many steps have been taken in the preceding years to "functionally" consolidate fire and EMS in the upper Verde Valley. From joint purchasing, training, and automatic aid, the Verde Valley Fire Departments and EMS providers work hand in hand.

At their April 22, 2003 Council meeting, the Clarkdale Town Council agreed that, with recent mergers of two local fire districts, increased staffing levels at the Clarkdale Fire Department, and Chief Van Hook's resignation, the time is right to take a more serious look at the future of Clarkdale's Fire/EMS services. The Council directed staff to hold off on hiring a Fire Chief at this time, begin discussions with the Verde Valley Fire District for interim Fire Department Administrative services and identify a subcommittee of interested citizens, elected officials and staff to study Clarkdale's options for fire and EMS services in the future.

Persons interested in participating as a member of the subcommittee that will study and make recommendations on Clarkdale's options for fire and EMS services are asked to contact the Clarkdale Town Hall at 634-9591 or email townhall@clarkdale.az.us. The committee will be developed to represent a broad cross section of the community and is expected to complete their review of options in a six month time frame.

## NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK May 18-24, 2003

National Public Works Week is designated to honor the tremendous efforts of thousands of public works professionals who serve their communities daily.

The Town of Clarkdale has a Public Works Director, a Foreman, Mechanic, Custodian and five Crewmen.

These nine employees maintain approximately:



- 30 acres of park land and Town-owned/ leased open space
- 8 municipal buildings
- 37 Town vehicles (including dump trucks, fire trucks, police cars)
- 250,000 gallons per day wastewater treatment plant and 7 miles of sewer line
- 33 miles of Town maintained roads
- 152,000 gallon municipal pool
- 20 acres of cemetery grounds

In addition, the Public Works
Department is in charge of solid
waste removal, signage, facility
remodels/additions, drainage
easements, new road projects,
cemetery internments and a myriad
of other items. The work that the
members of this department do is
vital to the health, safety and wellbeing of the citizens of the Town.

The next time you see a member of the Clarkdale Town Crew, please say "hello" and let them know they are appreciated!

## NEW LIBRARY HOURS

On Mon. and Wed.

Beginning Monday, May 5

#### **Library Hours**

Mon & Wed 11:00 - 4:00 Tues 1:00 - 6:00 Thur, Fri. & Sat 1:00 - 4:00

Closed Sunday

## **Library Notes**

By Charlotte Hawken, Library Manager

#### **NEW BOOKS**

May All Hat Blue Horizon City of Strangers Cold Heart Dirty Girls Social Club Fox Evil From the Listening Hills Land of the Living Mistress of Alderley Naked Prey Shutter Island Signal and Noise Sinister Pig Sucker Bet Wandering Hill Wild Orchids

Jonathan Kellerman
Alisa Valdes-Rodriguez
Minette Walters
Louis L'Amour
Nicci French
Robert Barnard
John Sandford
Dennis Lehane
John Griesemer
Tony Hillerman
James Swain
Larry McMurtry
Jude Deveraux

Dale Brown

Jack Higgins Kate White

Lisa Scottoline

**Brad Smith** 

Wilbur Smith

John Shannon

June
Air Battle Force
Bad Company
Body to Die For
Dead Ringer
Face
Flirting with Pete

Face Dean Koontz
Flirting with Pete Barbara Delinsky
Kill Bill Quentin Tarantino
Lake House James Patterson
Say When Elizabeth Berg
To the Nines Janet Evanovich
White Death Clive Cussler



## Verde Valley Humane Society

Post Office Box 1429 1502 W. Mingus Cottonwood, AZ 86326 (928) 634-7387 vvhs@wildapache.net

STOP LITTERING!
Please spay or neuter your pet!



## Town Calendar

ML - Men's Lounge, Clark Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth St. AUD - Auditorium, Clark Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth St. CML - Clark Memorial Library, 39 N. Ninth Street TH - Town Hall, Conference Room, 890 Main Street LB - Library Basement, 39 N. Ninth Street

May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Library Advisory Board, 7pm, CML
May 13 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Council, 6pm, ML
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Design Review Board, 9am, ML
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Planning Commission, 6pm, ML
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Parks & Recreation, 1pm, LB
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	General Election-Mail Ballots Due
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	Pool Opening-free swim, 10am
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day, Town Offices Closed
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Special Council, 6pm, ML
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Heritage Conservancy Brd, 5:15pm, CML
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June 5 <sup>th</sup>	Library Advisory Board, 7pm, CML
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Council, 6pm, ML
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Design Review Board, 9am, ML
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Planning Commission, 6pm, ML
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Parks & Recreation, 1pm, LB
June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Special Council, 6pm, ML
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Heritage Conservancy Brd, 5:15pm, CML
July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Library Advisory Board, 7pm, CML
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Old Fashioned 4 <sup>th</sup> of July,
	Clarkdale Park,
	Pancake Breakfast, 7am
	Children's Parade, 10am,
	Ice-Cream Social, 10:30am
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Council, 6pm, ML
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	Design Review Board, 9am, ML
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Planning Commission, 6pm, ML
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Parks & Recreation, 1pm, LB
July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Special Council, 6pm, ML
July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Heritage Conservancy Brd, 5:15pm, CML

Meeting dates and times are subject to change.

## **Library Book Delivery**

The Library Advisory Board plans to deliver library materials to home bound residents in Clarkdale. If you're interested in participating, please call Clark Memorial Library at 634-9760.



## **Important Numbers:**

Fire Department, non-emergency: 639-4591
Police Dept., non-emergency: 634-7240 or 634-2921

Cemetery Manager: 634-9591 Clark Memorial Library: 634-9760

Municipal Court: 634-1691

All other business: Town Hall: 634-9591 Fax: 634-0407, TTY: 1-800-367-8939

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## Clarkdale Bus Trips

#### **Baseball Games 2003**

## Arizona Diamondbacks vs.

Atlanta Braves, May 4
Cleveland Indians, June 8
Chicago Cubs, August 24
Colorado Rockies, September 14

Cost: \$23 per person

Time: Bus leaves Town Hall at 10:30 a.m.

Games starts at 1:35 p.m.

## San Francisco Giants, July 12

Cost: \$23 per person

Time: Bus leaves Town Hall at 10:00 a.m.

Game starts at 1:05 p.m.

Lunch is on your own. You're welcome to bring food onto the bus. However, there are limitations on what can be brought into Bank One Ballpark. Seats are in the lower level, Sections 106-109.

Make reservations at Town Hall, 890 Main Street, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Payment is required at the time of reservation. Tickets are non-refundable. However, if there is a waiting list, we will attempt to sell your ticket for you.

If you are unable to come to Town Hall to register, please call or email Coleen, 634-9591, coleeng@clarkdale.az.us to make special arrangements.

## **SNAKES**

It is the time of year again for our neighbors to be out and about. Yes, I am talking about 'Snakes.' This is a reminder that if you come upon a snake, you need to stop and retreat. Do not try to determine what kind of snake you are dealing with (not all rattlesnakes have rattles!) just stay clear. To have the snake relocated. please call the Fire Department at 639-4591.

On a side note: If the Fire Department is responding to your snake call and another emergency call is received, they will need to respond to the other call first. They will arrive just as soon as possible.

